

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-20 (cancelled).

21 (currently amended). An actuator for an inhaler for delivering medicament by inhalation, comprising: a main body comprising a tubular member for receiving a canister containing medicament and having a valve stem extending therefrom; and an outlet assembly, as a part formed separately of the main body, comprising a mouthpiece for guiding medicament to the mouth of a user and a nozzle block for receiving the valve stem of the canister and delivering medicament from the canister into the mouthpiece; ~~wherein at least a part of the outlet assembly is configured so as to deform and optionally break, to displace the nozzle block out of operable position, on withdrawal of the outlet assembly from the main body.~~

wherein the outlet assembly comprises at least one member connecting a lower part of the mouthpiece with a lower part of the nozzle block and at least one member connecting an upper part of the mouthpiece with an upper part of the nozzle block, wherein at least one of said members connecting the mouthpiece with the nozzle is formed with a weakened section, and wherein the outlet assembly comprises a catch member arranged to apply a deforming force on the weakened section of the connecting member on withdrawal of the outlet assembly from the main body.

22 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 21, wherein a connection between the mouthpiece and the nozzle block is configured at least in part to deform and optionally break on withdrawal of the outlet assembly from the main body.

23 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 22, wherein the connection between the mouthpiece and the nozzle block comprises at least one member connecting a lower part of the mouthpiece with a lower part of the nozzle block and at least one member connecting an upper part of the mouthpiece with an upper part of the nozzle block, with the at least one member connecting a lower part of the mouthpiece with a lower part of the nozzle block being configured to deform and optionally break on withdrawal of the outlet assembly from the main body.

24 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 21, wherein the tubular member includes a lateral opening at one end thereof for receiving the outlet assembly at an angle transverse to the length thereof.

25 (previously presented) The actuator according to claim 21, wherein the main body being provided with an alignment/support structure for the nozzle block arranged to support the nozzle block in the generally vertical direction during actuation of a canister inserted in the actuator.

26 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 21, wherein the main body further comprises a foot at one end of the tubular member thereof which is

configured such that, with a canister fitted therein, the actuator will stand unsupported with the tubular member extending generally vertically.

27 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 26, wherein the bottom surface of the foot includes a recess for receiving a thumb or a finger of a user.

28 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 27, wherein the recess is concave.

29 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 26, wherein the bottom surface of the foot is flat.

30 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 21, further comprising a breath actuation mechanism.

31 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 21, further comprising a compliance monitor.

32 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 30, wherein the main body comprises the breath actuation mechanism.

33 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 30, wherein the main body comprises one or both of the breath actuation mechanism and the compliance monitor.

34 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 26, wherein the foot comprises one or both of a breath actuation mechanism and a compliance monitor.

35 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 21, wherein the outlet assembly is formed as a single integral moulding.

36 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 21, wherein the nozzle block includes a bore having an opening for receiving the valve stem of a canister and a spray orifice configured to direct a spray into the mouthpiece.

37 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 21, wherein the main body and the outlet assembly are configured so as to snap-fit together.

38 (previously presented). The actuator according to claim 21, wherein the main body and the outlet assembly are of different colour.

39 (previously presented). An inhaler comprising the actuator according to claim 21 and a canister containing medicament.

40 (previously presented). The inhaler according to claim 39, wherein the inhaler is a pressurised metered dose inhaler.

41 (previously presented). A main body of an actuator for an inhaler for delivering medicament by inhalation, comprising a tubular member for receiving a canister containing medicament and having a valve stem extending there from; wherein it is arranged to receive an outlet assembly that is configured so as to deform and optionally break, to displace the nozzle block out of operable position, on withdrawal of the outlet assembly from the main body.

42 (previously presented). A main body according to claim 41 wherein the tubular member includes a lateral opening at one end thereof for receiving the outlet assembly at an angle transverse to the length thereof.

43 (previously presented). A main body according to claim 41 comprising catch projections that are complementary to snap fit catch members on the outlet assembly.

44 (previously presented). An outlet assembly of an actuator for an inhaler for delivering medicament by inhalation, the outlet assembly being a part formed separately of a main body of the actuator, the outlet assembly comprising a nozzle block for receiving a valve stem of a canister containing medicament and delivering medicament from the canister into a mouthpiece for guiding medicament to the mouth of a user, the main body of the actuator comprising a tubular member for receiving the canister

wherein at least a part of the outlet assembly is configured so as to deform and optionally break, to displace the nozzle block out of operable position, on withdrawal of the outlet assembly from the main body .

45 (previously presented). The outlet assembly according to claim 44, wherein a connection between the mouthpiece and the nozzle block is configured at least in part to deform and optionally break on withdrawal of the outlet assembly from the main body.

46 (previously presented). The outlet assembly according to claim 45, wherein the connection between the mouthpiece and the nozzle block comprises at least one member connecting a lower part of the mouthpiece with a lower part of the nozzle block and at least one member connecting an upper part of the mouthpiece with an upper part of the nozzle block, with the at least one member connecting a lower part of the mouthpiece with a lower part of the nozzle block being configured to deform and optionally break on withdrawal of the outlet assembly from the main body.

47 (previously presented). The outlet assembly according to claim 44, wherein it is arranged to be inserted in a lateral opening at one end of, and at an angle transverse to the tubular member.

48 (previously presented). The outlet assembly according to claim 44, wherein it comprises snap fit catch members to enable snap fit connection with a main body.

49 (new). The actuator according to claim 31, wherein the compliance monitor is a dose counter.